

## 17 arrested in Curacao on suspicion of drug trafficking with links to Hezbollah

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Associated Press

WILLEMSTAD, CURACAO

— Seventeen people were arrested in Curacao for alleged involvement in a drug trafficking ring with connections to Hezbollah, police in the Dutch Caribbean island said Wednesday.

The suspects detained Tuesday include four people from Lebanon and others from Curacao, Cuba, Venezuela and Colombia, police chief Carlos Casseres said at a news conference. Some of the proceeds, funneled through informal Middle Eastern banks, went toward supporting groups linked to the militant Hezbollah organization in Lebanon, according to Casseres. The smuggling ring also allegedly forwarded requests from Lebanon for arms to be shipped from South America.

“We have been able to establish that this group has relations with international criminal organizations that have connections with the Hezbollah,” prosecutor Ludmila Vicente said.

Island officials said the U.S. and the Netherlands are helping them to investigate the alleged Hezbollah connection.

Two shipments of cocaine totaling 2,000 kilograms (4,400 pounds) have been seized from the ring in Curacao since the beginning of last year. The traffickers used cargo ships and speed boats to import the drugs from Colombia and Venezuela for shipment to Africa and beyond to Europe, according to Curacao authorities.

Several nations including the United States participated in the investigation leading to the arrests.

Authorities with the Drug Enforcement Administration and the U.S. consulate in Curacao said they could not immediately comment on the case. □

## Radisson Aruba Resort, Casino & Spa

# Appoints New Vice President & Managing Director

ARUBA – Radisson Hotels & Resorts today announced the appointment of Gary Jutz to the position of vice president and managing director responsible for operations at its showcase property in Aruba, the Radisson Aruba Resort, Casino & Spa, in alignment with an established succession plan for the hotel. The hotel is in the process of interviewing candidates to fill the role of General Manager, which will report directly to Jutz, who brings 38 years of experience in the hospitality industry to the newly created position. Jutz will also lead several special projects for the Radisson brand.

Most recently, Jutz served as General Manager for the Aruba property, leading its efforts to achieve AAA Four Diamond status for both the property and its signature restaurant,

Sunset Grille. Prior to that role, Jutz was general manager of the Radisson Waikiki Prince Kuhio Hotel, in Honolulu, Hawaii. Jutz has also held the general manager position at the Radisson Plaza Hotel at Mark Center in Alexandria, Va. and with the Hyatt Corporation at hotels in Nashville, Atlanta and Savannah. Jutz holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Hotel/Restaurant Administration from Washington State University and an Executive Management degree from the Kellogg University Graduate School of Management. Jutz is a member of the Executive Board for the Aruba Hotel and Travel Association and has been recognized with more than 100 awards for personal and organizational achievement, including General Manager of the Year, Ten Best Hotels List,

## At Senior Frogs Aruba

# Reggae legends “Tribal Seeds” meet with fans



ORANJESTAD – Californian Reggae Musicians “Tribal Seeds” arrived on the island for a concert at the Don Elias Mansur Ball Park this past Saturday night. On Friday, the group was at Sr. Frogs for a meet and greet the fans with press interviews, autographs and photo ops.

With heavy influence from Bob Marley, Steel Pulse, and Midnite, this new and unique group brings a refreshing rock vibe to roots style reggae music. Spiritually driven and musically talented, Tribal Seeds have created an art form for rebel music enthusiasts! They bring an authentic sound that reaches a broad demographic.

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and four Gold Key Awards.

“Promoting Jutz to this new position is a testament to his proven leadership skills and demonstrates the high value we place on this showcase Radisson resort and its management leadership,” said Fredrik Korallus, executive vice president and chief operating officer for Radisson Hotels & Resorts.

“The Radisson brand is committed to maintaining our presence in Aruba and providing visitors with an unforgettable vacation experience for years to come.”

“I am excited by the challenge of this new role and dedicated to helping this marquis property achieve even more recognition from both the hospitality industry and our valued guests,” said Jutz. “As a AAA four diamond property,

The Radisson Aruba Resort, Casino & Spa represents the upscale style of hospitality offered by the Radisson brand. With the help of the talented team of more than 400 employees at the resort, I am confident that we will continue to deliver the highest quality Radisson guest experience.”

Over the next two years, the Radisson Aruba Resort, Casino & Spa will undergo a \$35 million renovation project that will include all guest rooms, the Grand Caribbean Ballroom and the hotel’s 15,000 square feet of meeting space. Throughout the renovation process, the resort will continue to provide award-winning service and amenities, including the Larimar Spa, which was recognized by Condé Nast Traveler in 2007 as a “Hot Spa” location. □

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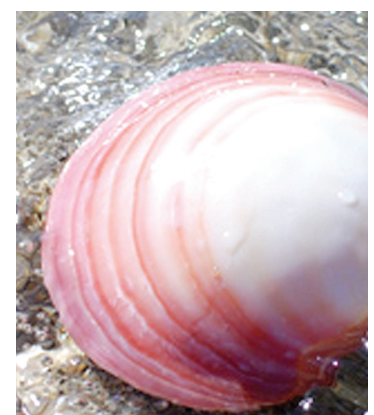
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biodegradable. The pink Tiger Clam shells may be obtained from local villages in the Philippines where they are part of the everyday diet, and spas all over the world are now turning what previously was waste into a gem of the ocean that anyone can enjoy. Try the new Larimar Spa Lava Shell massage, an environmentally friendly treatment from start to finish. In our picture, the staff members and their first Lava Shell massage patron. Check the local newspapers for a special June offer. □







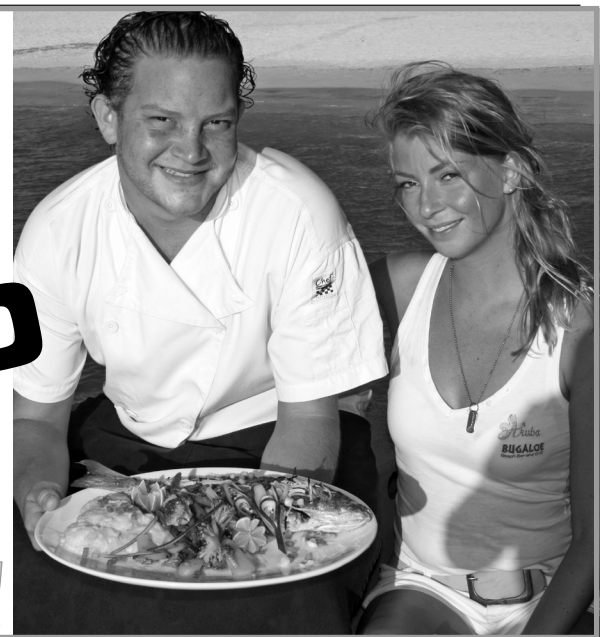
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Meet the Aruba Chicks and The Dummies!

## Two new teams shine at Baileys Quiz Night Series



ORANJESTAD - Two bright new teams have joined the Baileys Quiz Night Series at Café the Plaza in the Renaissance Marketplace. Called the Aruba Chicks and the Dummies, these two teams contain no dummies at all. Bright and quick, they knew several amazing answers at last Tuesday's, although they could not keep up with Kamikaze and Bier Hier, long-time quiz veteran champions.

The Aruba Chicks are all interns; they will be on Aruba for five months. They are studying facility management, economics and law at the Hanze Hogeschool in Groningen, Holland. The gorgeous chicks are between 20 and 23 years old. Two of the six quizzers have had quiz experience at Café the Plaza - the others are newly born. The Dummies are between 22 and 30 years old and they

work on Aruba as a physical education teacher, a Vela instructor and as doctors. Called Nienke, Wendy, Robert and Carine, they are all friends of Aniek, the key figure of the group. The majority of the Dummies come from Nijmegen, Holland. The attractive man in the background of the photo is Wendy's father, on the island on vacation, and helping out with the difficult quiz

questions.

The Baileys Quiz Night Series ends on June 30, so if you wish to meet the Aruba Chicks, the Dummies or any of the other

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*At the Sunset Grille at the Radisson*

# Romar Trading guests enjoy a superb Concha y Toro dinner



PALMBEACH - The Radisson Resort's Sunset Grille was the place to be last Thursday evening, when Romar Trading hosted a dinner in honor of Concha y Toro's winemaker

Karine Mollenhauer from Chile. Clients and guests were treated to a breathtaking dinner, which went perfectly with several of Concha y Toro's best wines. As Romar's

Clive Faustin greeted and seated his 30-plus guests in the upscale restaurant, chef Maarten Smeets and his crew got busy. They deserve many compliments for their



exquisite four-course menu. Dinner started with Cajun soft shelled crab, herb crusted salmon, Calamata, shrimp brochettes and rice stuffed grape leaves. This unusual, but very tasty dish was enhanced by the Trio Chardonnay, a blend of 70 percent Chardonnay, 15 percent Pinot Grigio and 15 percent Pinot Blanc. The Trio is fresh and intense, yet quite delicate; surprisingly different from other Chardonnays. The Veal Oscar was lovely: a veal sirloin medallion, garnished with crab meat and the Marques de Casa Concha Merlot, awarded 90 points by the Wine Advocate, went fabulously well with the veal. This wine has a ruby red color and its bouquet releases the scent of berries, oak and chocolate. The Merlot comes from a vineyard which lies 100 kilometers south of Santiago; it has aged for 18 months.

As the excellent waiters poured the next wine, Karine Mollenhauer told the group about this Terrunyo Carmenere. The Carmenere grape was thought to be extinct after the 1873 phylloxera plague, which destroyed all the vines in France. But in 1994 the Carmenere surfaced again, mixed in between Merlot grapes, and now it is a unique Chilean wine. The Carmenere enhanced and highlighted the third course, Chateaubriand, served with garlic mashed potatoes. Dessert was astonishing: a variety of delicious mini desserts, served in shot glasses. One could not just eat one; you had to try them all. The Late Harvest Concha y Toro dessert wine was not overly sweet, just right actually, and it formed the perfect finale of this successful Romar Trading dinner. □



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## Griffin turns 15 at Amazonia Churrascaria



PALM BEACH – Griffin Cawthon from Georgia, staying with his parents on vacation at the Holiday Inn Sunspree celebrated his 15th birthday at Amazonia Churrascaria. Which means, says Mom, that upon Griffin's return home, he will be getting his driver's license which he can't wait to have.

Griffin is a cool birthday specialist, adds Dad, revealing that the family celebrated Griffin's 14th birthday in Jamaica.

The Cawthon family enjoyed

the excellent food and the warm hospitality of Amazonia Churrascaria and promised to

return same time next year!! Pictured here Griffin's lively birthday party! □



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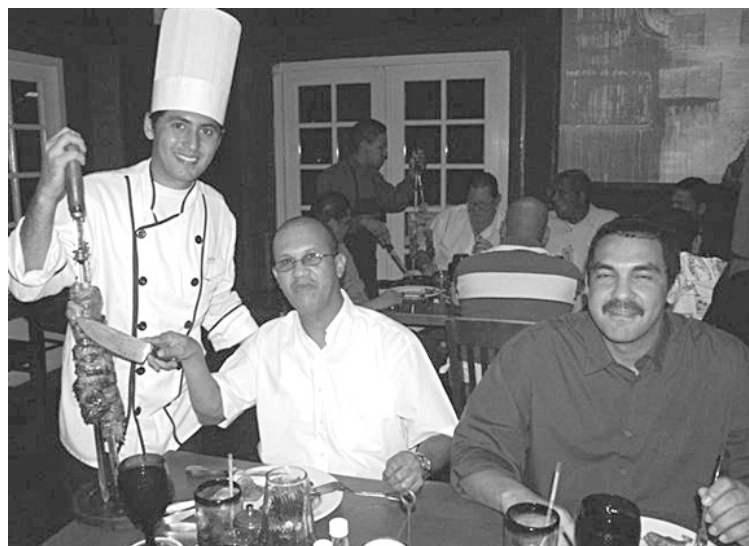


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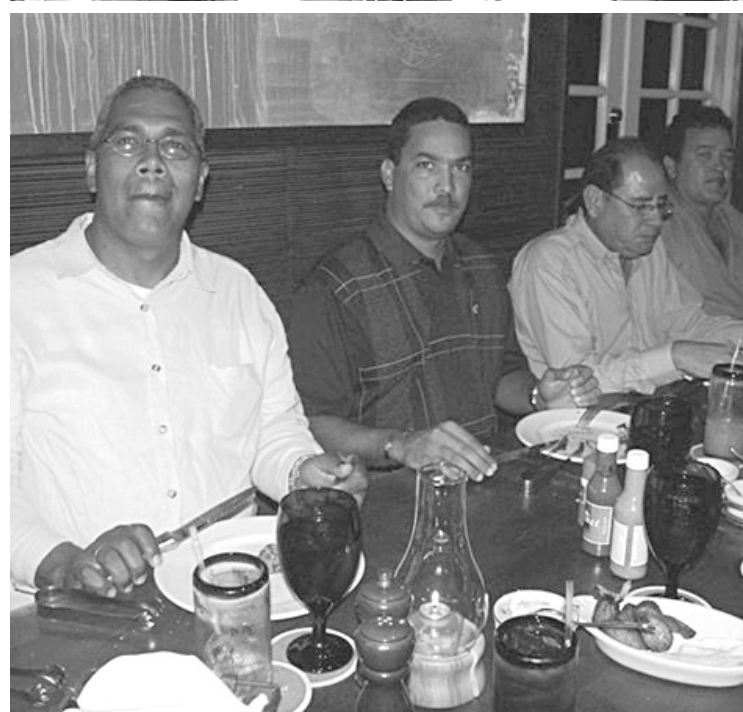
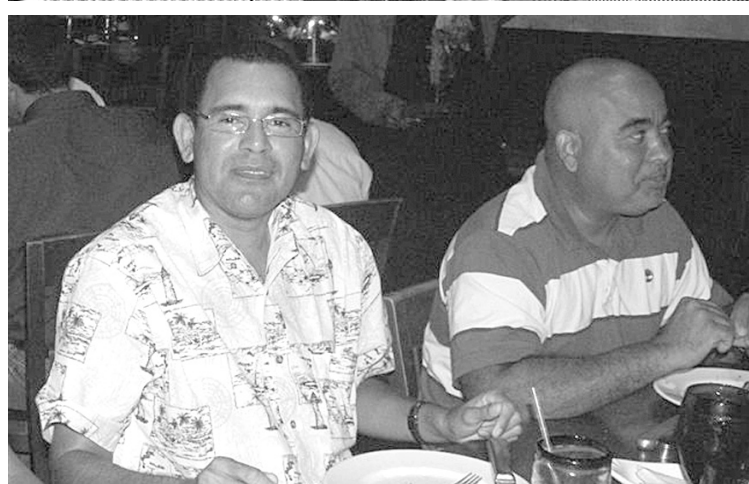


FCCA Friends

# Celebrated Father's Day at Amazonia Churrascaria



PALMBEACH—Amazonia Churrascaria helped FCCA friends organize a great Father's Day party over delicious food and in a fantastic ambiance in the private room of the Palm Beach landmark. Franklin D. Leest, Public Relations and Promotions reports that the hard working FCCA friends enjoyed the experience and that the almost-thirty members dining, are the best fathers on the island! Of the best dads, Fernando de Graaf received the honor of being elected Father of the Evening, and he accepted a gift certificate from the organization. General Manager Hubert Solagnier and his lovely assistant Carolina Raven oversaw the service and the constant flow of perfectly grilled meats on giant skewers. □

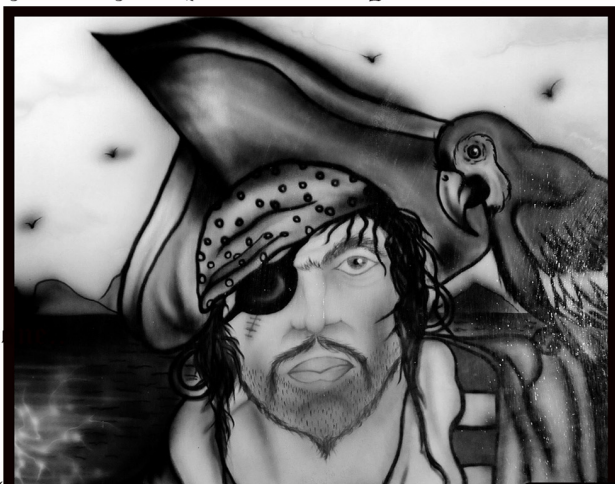


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slow-roasted meats. A selection of fresh lettuces and vegetables may be standard for most salad bars, but Texas de Brazil's version goes a gourmet twist further, treating the palate to additional items like marinated portabella mushrooms, sweet roasted bell peppers, hearts of palm, sundried tomatoes, imported cheeses—including fresh buffalo mozzarella—sushi, homemade soups, and much more.

The salad bar is included in the continuous service meal with unlimited choices from the grilled meats, but for vegetarians or the non-meat eaters, a special price is offered for just the salad bar. Of course, for those looking to splurge while on vacation, Texas de Brazil will gladly serve their garlic mashed potatoes, traditional fried plantains, and their world-famous parmesan cheese bread as part of the meal.

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# Reggae legends "Tribal Seeds" meet with fans



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Two brothers, both raised playing instruments since early childhood in San Diego head the group. The lead singer Steven writes the lyrics for the group, and his brother Tony-Ray along with the band produce all their music. They have toured throughout the U.S. as well as Mexico & Hawaii, and have shared the stage with Matisyahu, The Wailers and Gregory Issacs. The concert opened with local bands "ILA", "Data Panik", "Time Bandits" y "Honey Pot". Also participating is Dj Theo of "I LOVEMUZIKA" y Dj Danny Platinum who entertained the public "between sets" y DJ Jean Carlos was the Master of Ceremonies for the evening.





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## Mulligan's Golf Café Bar & Restaurant Hosts Karaoke



DIVI LINKS – Thursday is the best day of the week, says popular singer Giovanni Trim, referring to the week's most entertaining Karaoke happy hour, unfolding every week at Divi Link's Mulligan's Golf

Café Bar & Restaurant from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. featuring two for one drink prices. Giovanni who emcees the Karaoke session in Dutch, Spanish and English has a large selection of songs,

which scroll on some of the bar's 10 flat screen TVs, and allow the entire crowd access to lyrics and the possibility of 'helping' the featured singer sing along.

This Thursday delivered an explosive party, with some of the island's media stars belting out a song or two and dancing, and having a fantastic time, as guests of Tabitha Fecunda, Island Marketing & Promotion Manager, the Links at Divi Aruba.

Join Happy Hour any Thursday and you will for yourself how much fun it is. ☐





# Fatherhood celebrated at The Westin Resort

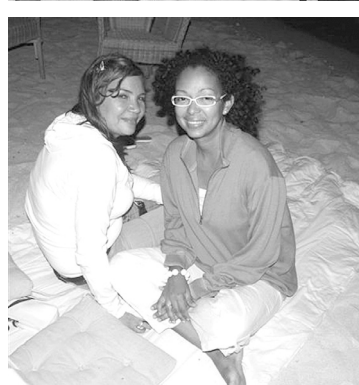


PALM BEACH – This past Friday afternoon, The Westin Resort, Aruba held a special afternoon reception for all the dads working at the resort. The festivities were held in the Cabaret theatre, where snacks and drinks were served. All the dads took advantage of the downtime to play a little dominoes, cards, and jenga. Tee-shirts were made just for the occasion with the inscription “Fatherhood: the toughest love you’ll ever love.”





# Under the start lit sky in Malmok



Disco, Scaramouche and Visage, three long-defunct yet still fondly-remembered clubs of the late seventies, and eighties in Aruba.

The Bring Your Own Stuff event with Metropolis disco was the initiative of visiting Athenee M., and resident Daphne L., Emy R-dC., Mylene M. & Mireille H., and while it started at 9 p.m. we hear it subsided as the light of dawn washed over the star-lit sky.

Organizers thought about most-anything including a port-a-potty for the ladies, as the sound of cherished 80s rock bands shared the night fantastic with alternative rock, and pop evergreens.

Every song was received as our nostalgic favorite, and the twinkling lights of the high-rise hotels on Palm Beach doubled as the old mirrored disco ball.

Pictured here, the beautiful crowd in white, on the beach at Fishermen's Huts, with CBS's reality show Survivor:

Fishermen's Huts – A BYOS Beach Party, took a crowd of barefoot happy people down memory lane to Scorpion's



Gabon – Earth's Last Eden 29, a doctor by profession, on participant Marcus Lehman, a visit to the island.



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## Caribbean news briefs

### ARUBA: Shunned because of swine flu, cruise ship returns to home port

ORANJESTAD, Aruba (AP) — A Caribbean cruise spoiled by a swine flu outbreak ended amid a swarm of masked medical workers on Friday, and broader fears about the pandemic's spread in the region prompted cancellation of a 26-nation sports festival.

Helicopters buzzed overhead and Coast Guard boats flanked the Ocean Dream as passengers disembarked into a dockside terminal in Aruba, where nearly a dozen health officials shrouded in white clothes and wearing masks checked them for symptoms.

"You come back from a cruise, you're on vacation, and it feels like you're on a boat full of lepers," said Isabel Duque, 48, of Madrid.

Three crew members tested positive for the H1N1 influenza and 11 others showed symptoms during the voyage that started June 12 in Aruba.

That led port authorities in Grenada and Barbados to block the ship's scheduled stops and forced cancellation of a cruise that had been slated to start Friday aboard the ship, which has a capacity of 1,350 passengers.

The Dutch territory's Health Ministry said it was examining the roughly 400 returning passengers and an equal number of crew members as a precaution, though officials declined to say if tests had revealed new cases.

Swabs were taken from those who showed basic flu signs such as cough and fever. If a preliminary test comes back positive, officials said, the person will be kept under surveillance on the ship along with people with confirmed cases.

### Passengers judged healthy will be driven to the airport, officials said.

PUERTO RICO: Pageant fires petite beauty queen, claiming coarse language and death threats

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP) — The Miss Puerto Rico Petite competition stripped the reigning queen of her crown Friday, accusing the young woman of "intolerable conduct" that included threatening and assaulting pageant staff.

Keishla Villafane Rivera also used "coarse language" and violated the terms of her contract by agreeing to use her image in an advertisement without the consent of the pageant, the

organizers said in a statement.

Luis Santiago Productions, the pageant company, said it was obligated to dismiss the 19-year-old queen after she made death threats and assaulted staff members. Its statement provided no details of the purported misconduct.

Villafane could not be reached for comment. Her attorney, Maribel Vidal, did not respond to messages left with her office in San Juan.

A pageant spokeswoman, Libni Garcia, declined in an interview with The Associated Press to disclose details about the accusations, saying more information would be released in a legal action the company plans to file against Villafane.

But she said problems between the queen and pageant officials began shortly after the woman won the title last August.

The production company appointed another contestant from last year's pageant, Tamara Perez, to serve the remainder of Villafane's term, which expires Aug. 26 with the next competition. The contest is open to 16- to 24-year-olds who are 5-foot-5 or shorter. Villafane is 5-feet-2.

### TRINIDAD: Swine flu forces cancellation of upcoming 26-nation inaugural Caribbean Games

PORT-OF-SPAIN, Trinidad (AP) — Trinidadian authorities Friday canceled next month's inaugural Caribbean Games, saying there was too great a risk of spreading swine flu by hosting the region's athletes and supporters.

Minister of Health Jerry Narace said he recommended rescheduling the weeklong event until the flu threat subsides but officials determined it would be too difficult to find another date this year so "postponement will mean cancellation."

Trinidad's double Beijing Olympics silver medallist sprinter Richard "Torpedo" Thompson and rising 400-meter runner Renny Quow, along with the Cuban boxers and Dominican Republic's volleyballers were expected to be the biggest stars at the games.

At least a dozen participants in a volleyball tournament, including players from the Trinidadian and Suriname teams, tested positive for H1N1 influenza after a tournament in Trinidad last week. Narace said the fact that athletes and their delegations had to share rooms was a factor in the spread of the H1N1 virus. □



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# Fed unlikely to try new aids for economy, for now

By JEANNINE AVERSA,  
AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON — With the recession easing, Federal Reserve policymakers are unlikely to launch any major new efforts to revive the economy when they meet this week. Instead, Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke and his colleagues, wary of overdoing the stimulus medicine and fanning inflation later, are expected to stand pat, economists say.

The Fed has taken unprecedented steps to try to lift the country out of recession. They include a bold effort announced in March to plow \$1.2 trillion into the economy in an attempt to lower interest rates and spur more spending by Americans.

"There are a lot of good signs that an economic recovery could get under way later this year, and with inflation currently low, the Fed for now has the luxury of sitting back and watching this recovery unfold," said John Silvia, chief economist at Wachovia.

Home sales have firmed, housing construction posted a gain last month, layoffs are slowing and consumer spending is showing signs of stabilizing.

When they open a two-day meeting Tuesday, Fed policymakers are widely expected to hold a key lending rate to banks at a record low near zero and repeat a

pledge to hold rates there for "an extended period." Most economists say that means the Fed will keep its targeted range for its bank lending rate between zero and 0.25 percent through the rest of this year and probably into part of next year to help brace the economy.

Analysts generally think the economy in the current April-to-June quarter is still declining — perhaps at a pace of 1 percent to 3 percent — but not nearly as much as it had been. The economy sank at a 6.3 percent rate in the final quarter of 2008 and at a 5.7 percent pace in the first quarter this year. It was the worst six-month performance in 50 years.

Bernanke has predicted the recession will end later this year. Some economists say the economy will start growing again as soon as the July-to-September quarter as the Fed's actions so far, along with the federal stimulus of tax cuts and increased government spending, take hold.

Risks to the outlook, however, abound.

Some economists and Wall Street investors have worried that a recent run-up in rates on mortgages and Treasury securities, if prolonged, could choke off prospects for an economic recovery. Some of those fears were eased last week, when rates on 30-year mortgages dipped to 5.38

percent after a string of weekly increases.

Earlier this month, Bernanke said higher rates on mortgages and longer-term Treasury securities seemed to reflect worries about the United States' huge budget deficits, as well as optimism about the economy. He said it also signaled a gradual shift by investors away from the safe haven of U.S. bonds, reversing a pattern seen in the depths of the recession.

It's possible the Fed could decide this week to boost its purchases of mortgage-backed securities and government debt, to try to drive down rates on mortgages and other consumer debt. Most analysts doubt that will happen, but economists predict the Fed will leave the door open to further

action if economic conditions were to deteriorate.

"Some Fed members worry additional action could be counterproductive and actually push long-term interest rates higher because investors will fear that the Fed's actions could lead to runaway inflation down the road," said Mark Zandi, chief economist at Moody's Economy.com.

"Others think the recent rise is just a normalization of rates, reflecting investors' beliefs that the economy is heading in the right direction and that the rise won't do significant damage."

Rising unemployment, tanking home values and cracked nest eggs could force consumers to go back into hibernation again. Economists don't think that will happen, but they can't

rule it out, either.

Even after the recession ends, the recovery is likely to be tepid. The nation's unemployment rate — now at 9.4 percent — is expected to keep climbing into 2010 and to hit 10 percent this year. Some say it could rise as high as 10.7 percent or 11 percent by the summer of next year before it starts to decline. The highest rate since World War II was 10.8 percent at the end of 1982.

"The Fed has to walk a fine line right now" to make investors and the public feel confident policymakers will administer the right dose of medicine to heal the economy but not so much as to cause an overdose, said Richard Yamarone, economist at Argus Research. □

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# Apple fans are prepared for a part-time Jobs

By JESSICA MINTZ,  
AP Technology Writer

SEATTLE - Five and a half months ago, word that Steve Jobs would only work part-time as he recovered from a liver transplant would have sent investors into a selling frenzy, so closely linked was Apple's charismatic co-founder and CEO to the company's success. But now, with Jobs' return to Apple just days away that prospect is a lot less daunting. Wall Street has grappled with the implications of Jobs' illness since August 2004, when investors learned the CEO had kept a cancer diagnosis secret until after he underwent surgery. Investors feared a half-year absence would leave one of the oldest computer

makers adrift, because Jobs had become the essence of the company he co-founded in 1976. But in the last few months, the company released must-have gadgets and software improvements with nary a public hiccup. Its shares have almost doubled, raising the question of how central Jobs is to Apple today?

The company's past silence on matters of Jobs' health made shareholders jittery when Jobs appeared increasingly, even alarmingly, thin last year. Easily spooked, investors sent the stock tumbling 5 percent to its lowest point in a year on a rumor last October that Jobs had suffered a heart attack.

Then shares slipped 2 percent in December when Apple said that Jobs would not speak as

usual the next month at the annual Macworld conference, then bounced up 4 percent on Jan. 5 when Jobs explained his weight loss as a treatable hormone imbalance. They sank 7 percent a week later after Apple said he would be taking six months off because his medical problems were more complex than he initially thought.

Since then, Wall Street's whiplash has had time to heal, especially because Apple's stock has weathered the recession better than those of most of its competitors. Shares have improved 76 percent since the dark day in January when Jobs announced his leave, closing Friday at \$139.48.

It is not yet clear how investors

will take the latest word, that Jobs had a liver transplant two months ago in Tennessee, according to The Wall Street Journal, and that he will likely work part-time, at least at first.

Apple has not confirmed the report, and has said only that Jobs is looking forward to returning to Apple at the end of the month. Spokesman Steve Dowling had no further comment Sunday.

Cupertino, Calif.-based Apple put its chief operating officer at the helm during Jobs' absence. Tim Cook had been tested in the role during Jobs' first bout with cancer and shared the stage with the CEO during key product announcements last fall. He brimmed with confidence in the early days of Jobs' medical leave, assuring analysts that the show would go on even without its frontman.

"The values of our company are extremely well entrenched," Cook said in the company's fiscal first-quarter earnings call in January. "We believe that we're on the face of the Earth to make great products, and that's not changing."

Indeed, Apple has produced in the last six months: updated laptops with lower entry-level prices, updated Mac software and a faster iPhone with many requested features. Apple's cult-like followers remain avid, some camping overnight at Apple stores last week to be one of the first to snatch up the new iPhone 3G S, despite a pre-order option offered for the first time by Apple and wireless carriers.

Tim Bjarin, an analyst for Creative Strategies who has been following Apple for more than 25 years, said things ran smoothly in Jobs' absence because he had already relinquished much of

his control over the company. "Jobs hasn't been running day to day operations for almost two years, well before he got sick," Bjarin said. Cook was de facto in charge, and the people in charge of each of Apple's gadgets and programs were, for the most part, working without a net.

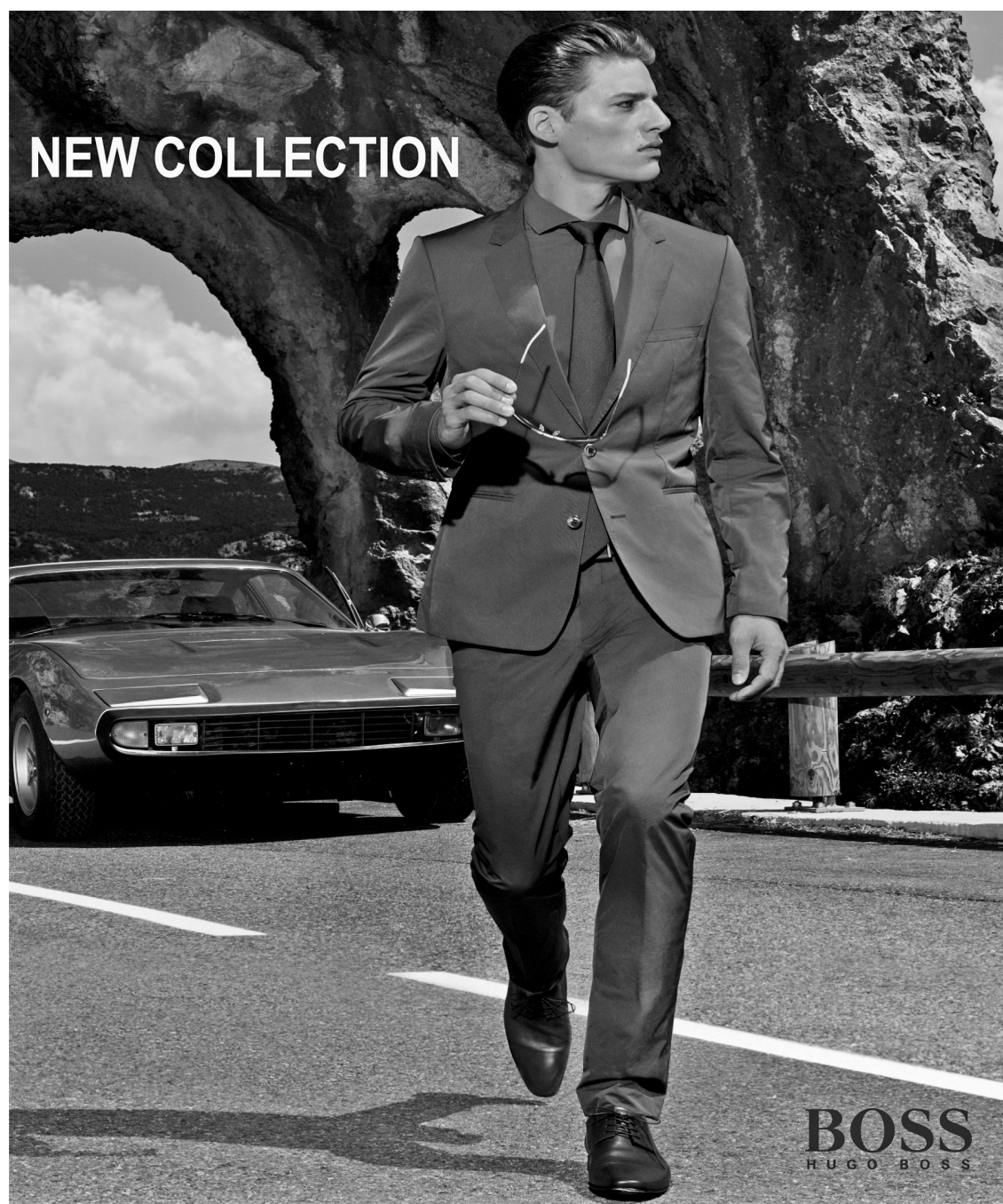
"They only went to Jobs on big issues and questions and making sure their programs were in line with Jobs' overall vision," he said, which the CEO scopes out in 10-year increments.

While Jobs has taken much of the credit for Apple's turnaround in the last decade, Cook has played an import role behind the scenes, says Roger Kay, an industry analyst and president of Endpoint Technologies Associates.

"If you want to look at Apple's history and see where they made execution errors and when those ceased, you can time it almost exactly to the arrival of Tim Cook," Kay said, pointing to several product launches around the late 1990s where Apple would create demand for a new product, and then have problems delivering enough of it. "He, as the operations guy, has really made the trains run on time."

While Jobs has reportedly recovered well from his transplant and Apple has said repeatedly that the CEO will be back at the end of June, the company will eventually have to confront the fact of its leader's mortality. And no matter how many accolades Cook and the Apple product teams garner, it will be near-impossible to find someone like Jobs to replace him.

Kay is skeptical Apple will be able to continue its success simply by asking itself, "What would Steve do?" □



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## Giorgio's Ristorante Italiano introduces Menu Turistico



Eagle Beach -- Giorgio's Ristorante Italiano located at the heart of the low-rise hotels at the Manchebo Beach Resort & Spa, delivers authentic Mediterranean flavors, at a reasonable price. The restaurant has just introduced Menu Turistico a three-course dinner featuring appetizers, main courses and desserts for just \$19.95, per person, plus 15% service charge.

Patrons may choose between home made soup and Caesar salad, Fettuccini Alfredo, Lasagna Casarecia, Spaghetti alla Bolognese or any favorite pizza with Tiramisu, Cheese Cake or Ice Cream for the sweet finale.

Posing with Angelo the Italian maitre D' at Giorgio's, Mr and Mrs. Klaus, from Pennsylvania, 2nd time repeaters in Aruba at the Manchebo, the trip was a birthday present from him to her and since they are celebrating their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary in November, they are already thinking about coming back, they enjoyed Menu Turistico and recommend it wholeheartedly! □

Eagle Beach – The French Steakhouse at the Manchebo Beach Resort & Spa just added another charming dining option, a tropical outdoor courtyard, featuring delicious cuisine under the stars.

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The French Steakhouse Ooh-La-La menu is now served indoor and alfresco, featuring creative appetizers, soups, salads, seafood dishes, poultry and the Pièce de Résistance South American & USDA Beef specialties.

Among popular appetizers the chef's Tropical Crab Cakes with pineapple & mango salsa and the Teriyaki Glazed Seared Duck Breast, served with garden greens and balsamic dressing are real crowd pleasers.

True to the restaurant's French roots, the Onion Soup is a classic, while the Honey Glazed Salmon Salad winks at the exotic East



with a sweet soy dressing. The menu features a great variety of seafood dishes from fresh fish to the totally sinful and amazingly-decadent Caribbean Stuffed Shrimp with Crabmeat and Bacon, which became an instant hit. The tequila and sweet chili glaze, lends the Jumbo shrimp a pure taste of heaven! The French Steakhouse is naturally famous for the South American Churrasco steak, a signature preparation, which now shares the stage with juicy USDA beef specialties such as NY Sirloin and Filet Mignon. Light-eaters will find the Jerk Chicken Skewers and the Lemon Herb Broilers very satisfying.

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## Pega Pega Café & Beach Bar reinvents Beach Cuisine



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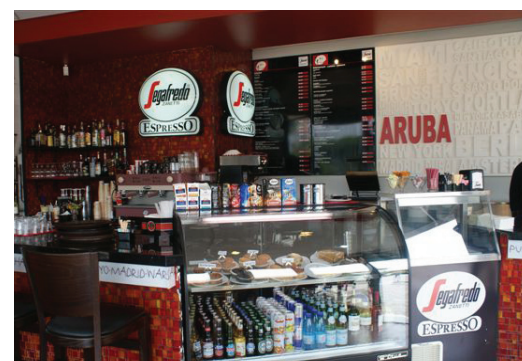
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Iranian-Americans and supporters protest the government of Iran on June 20, 2009 in Santa Ana, California. Democrats on Sunday defended President Barack Obama's hands-off approach to the crisis in Iran, urging him to keep US "fingerprints" off the unfolding events despite pressure from Republicans for bolder US action.

(AFP/Getty Images/File/David Mcnew)

## GOP calls Obama timid as he seeks footing on Iran

By ANNE GEARAN, AP National Security Writer  
WASHINGTON — In his first major test of international leadership, President Barack Obama is struggling for the right stance in the face of Iran's postelection upheaval as political opponents at home accuse him of inaction. Obama's measured statements so far attempt to speak up for human rights while preserving U.S. options and lessening the chance that he becomes a scapegoat for the cleric-led government, which has blamed the West for starting trouble. Obama kept a public silence Sunday, although a spokesman said he discussed Iran with foreign policy advisers in the Oval Office for more than 30 minutes. He later went golfing in Virginia. Protesters in Iran again defied the government and held a large rally in the capital,

Tehran. The White House did not book any surrogates on the talk shows to defend or explain the administration's approach. Republicans used their broadcast appearances to call the president timid or feckless, while the Democrat who leads the Senate Intelligence Committee said the U.S. had no hand in the disputed election. A day earlier, Obama invoked the American civil rights struggle to condemn violence against demonstrators, some of whom have carried signs in English asking, "Where is My Vote?" It was his strongest statement on what has become the most significant challenge to Iran's ruling structure since the Islamic revolution 30 years ago. Both the House and Senate voted overwhelmingly last week to condemn an official crackdown on the mostly peaceful demonstrations.

"The president of the United States is supposed to lead the free world, not follow it," said Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C. "He's been timid and passive more than I would like." Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., and others noted that Western leaders, including French President Nicolas Sarkozy and German Chancellor Angela Merkel, have demanded a recount or more forcefully condemned the government crackdown. "I'd like to see the president be stronger than he has been although I appreciate the comments that he made yesterday," McCain said. "I think we ought to have America lead." Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, said a slow or muted U.S. response risks undermining the aspirations of Iranian voters to change or question their government.

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## Arrests of Rafsanjani kin show Iran clerics split



Supporters of opposition leader Mir Hossien Mousavi set a fire to avoid the effects of tear gas during protest in Tehran on Saturday June, 20, 2009. Police beat protesters and fired tear gas and water cannons at thousands who rallied Saturday in open defiance of Iran's clerical government, sharply escalating the most serious internal conflict since the 1979 Islamic Revolution.

(AP Photo)

By NASSER KARIMI and WILLIAM J. KOLE, Associated Press Writers

TEHRAN, Iran — Iran's government said Sunday it arrested the daughter and four other relatives of former President Hashemi Rafsanjani, one of the country's most powerful men, in a move that exposed a rift among the ruling Islamic clerics over the disputed presidential election.

State media also reported at least 10 more deaths, bringing the official toll for a week of confrontations to at least 17. State television inside Iran said 10 were killed and 100 injured in clashes Saturday between demonstrators contesting the result of the June 12 election and black-clad police wielding truncheons, tear gas and water cannons.

Police and members of the Basij militia took up positions in the afternoon on major streets and squares, including the site of Saturday's clashes. There was no word on any new clashes Sunday, although after dark many people in Tehran went to their rooftops to shout "Death to the dictator" and Allahu akbar," a common form of defiance in recent days.

State-run Press TV reported that Rafsanjani's eldest daughter, Faezeh Hashemi, and four other unidentified family members were arrested late Saturday. Initial reports suggested Hashemi was still being held Sunday after the others were released. But both Iran's ambassador to France, Seyed Mehdi Miraboutalebi, speaking on France's RFI radio, and Iran's al-Alam Arabic-language television channel said Sunday that she'd been released as well.

Last week, state television showed images of Hashemi, 46, speaking to hundreds of supporters of opposition candidate Mir Hossein Mousavi. He alleges fraud in the June 12 election, which the government said President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad won.

After Hashemi's appearance, hard-line students gathered outside the Tehran prosecutor's office and accused her of treason, state radio reported.

The arrests are the strongest sign yet of a serious divide among Iran's ruling clerics.

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An partially submerged abandoned boat is seen in Miami Bay, June 9, 2009. According to a report from the Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission published in local media, there were 750 abandoned boats in the state in 2005 and that number has now increased to about 1500 as a result of the bad economy and hurricanes.

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## Tropical depression forms in Pacific off Mexico

MEXICO CITY – Forecasters say a tropical depression has formed in the Pacific Ocean off the southern coast of Mexico.

The National Hurricane Center in Miami said the center of the depression was located about 200 miles south of Zihuatanejo, Mexico, at 2 p.m. PDT Sunday.

The system is moving to the west near 7 mph

and has maximum sustained winds of around 35 mph.

The system could bring heavy rainfall to southwestern areas of the country over the next two days, but the center of the depression is currently forecast to remain offshore.

The system is expected to strengthen and could become a tropical storm Sunday night. □

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“If America stands for democracy and all of these demonstrations are going on in Tehran and other cities over there, and people don’t think that we really care, then obviously they’re going to question, “do we really believe in our principles?”” Grassley said.

Former Sen. Fred Thompson, R-Tenn., said Obama isn’t doing nearly enough, while conservative commentator William Bennett said Obama is bungling his response.

Obama has tried to hold a middle ground as the crisis unfolds, and found the ground shifting by the day. His advisers say any thunderous denunciation of Iran’s rulers would invite them to blame Western interference and might worsen the violence instead of end it.

The death toll has neared 20 as shadowy militias and other forces have shot and attacked demonstrators.

Indiana Sen. Richard Lugar, a moderate Republican who holds the party’s top position on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, seemed to echo Obama’s caution.

“The challenge continues, which is going to come to a conclusion one way or another,” Lugar said. “Either the protesters bring about change or they’re suppressed, and it’s a potentially very brutal outcome at the end of the day.”

Obama on Saturday challenged Iran’s government to halt a “violent and unjust” crackdown on dissenters, and he quoted Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., who said, “The arc of the moral universe is long, but it bends toward justice.”

“Right now, we are bearing witness to the Iranian people’s belief in that truth, and we will continue to bear witness,” Obama said.

The statement calling for an end to violence against demonstrators followed days of agonizing among his staff over what to say and how strongly to say it.

It also followed a wrong note from Obama last week, when he said he saw little difference between Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, the hard-liner who claims a landslide re-election mandate, and his conservative but pro-reform challenger. That left the impression that Obama discounted the votes of Mir Hossein Mousavi’s supporters or the bravery of protesters who marched to say their votes were stolen.

Incumbent Ahmadinejad claimed victory by an overwhelming margin following a lively campaign that many analysts predicted would yield razor-close results. The speed with which his victory was announced and vote claims in areas where he was at a clear disadvantage caused outrage among Mousavi’s backers.

Democrats in the Senate say Obama has struck the right balance.

“He’s got a very delicate path to walk here,” said Sen. Chris Dodd, D-Conn. “You don’t want to take ownership of this.”

Dodd and Graham appeared on ABC’s “This Week,” McCain was on CBS’ “Face the Nation,” and Lugar and Grassley spoke on “State of the Union” on CNN. □



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## Lesson from NY: Long-lost children rarely turn up



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By JENNIFER PELTZ,  
Associated Press Writer  
NEW YORK — When Jerry Damman first got news his son may have been found after vanishing from Long Island more than 50 years ago, he said it “was almost too good to believe.”

It turned out he was right. His new hope was dashed when DNA tests last week revealed that John Barnes, the man who claimed he was the missing boy, actually wasn't — an outcome that didn't surprise law enforcement officials and experts.

They say a storybook ending was a long shot from the start.

to be the missing children they sincerely thought they were, said Jerry Nance, who oversees long-term missing child investigations for the organization.

Like Barnes, most started with a feeling that they simply didn't belong in their families, then researched old missing-child cases and found one that seemed to fit, Nance said.

More than 778,000 people nationwide were reported missing last year. Nearly 80 percent of them were under 18, FBI statistics show.

Most missing children are found fairly quickly, according to a 2002 study done for the federal Department of Justice. The study found fewer than 10 percent of missing children were kidnapped, usually by relatives.

Police in New York — where 8,202 missing persons cases were opened last year — also say that nearly all children reported missing soon turn up.

One exception was the headline-grabbing case of 6-year-old Etan Patz, who vanished 30 years ago after leaving his apartment to catch a bus to school. The disappearance remains unsolved, though the family members have said they believe a baby sitters' boyfriend, a convicted child molester, killed the boy.

The boyfriend, who remains in prison, has not been charged in the case. But he was ruled responsible for the boy's disappearance in a civil case. A judge ordered him in 2005 to pay Etan's family \$2 million. New York City police procedures require an immediate and aggressive search for missing children under 16. Detectives can call in police helicopters or boats, and they often contact social workers because many

disappearances involve child custody disputes.

In the Long Island case, Stephen Damman was 2 when he disappeared while his mother shopped on Oct. 31, 1955.

Investigators chased down

leads around the country, to no avail. A hope for a major break came and went in 1957, when a boy's body was found buried in a cardboard box in Philadelphia. But it was determined not to be Stephen's. □

## NYT editor: We had to keep mum on Afghan abduction



This November 1995 photo shows David Rohde (L) with his nephew Steven Rohde upon arrival at Boston's Logan International Airport after his release by the Bosnian Serbs. Rhode, presently a New York Times reporter who was kidnapped last November by the Taliban and held in the mountains of Afghanistan and Pakistan, has escaped to freedom.

(AFP/File/Stuart Cahill)

NEW YORK (AP) — The editor of The New York Times says keeping quiet about the capture of one of his reporters in Afghanistan was “agonizing.”

The Times reported Saturday that reporter David Rohde (ROHD) escaped by climbing over a wall. Rohde was abducted Nov. 10 along with an Afghan reporter and a driver south of the Afghan capital of Kabul.

In an interview on CNN Sunday, Times editor Bill Keller said suppressing the story of David Rohde's kidnapping seven months ago was “an agonizing position that we revisited over and over again.”

The Times asked other news media not to report that Rohde had been captured.

Keller says the newspaper's management and Rohde's family believed that publicizing the kidnapping right after it happened could endanger Rohde's safety. □





U.S. President Barack Obama discusses fatherhood and mentoring at an event in the East Room of the White House in Washington, June 19, 2009.

By Jeff Mason and Kevin Drawbaugh

WASHINGTON (Reuters) – U.S. President Barack Obama expressed concern about violence and “unjust actions” against Iranian demonstrators on Sunday in a meeting with advisers who updated him on fast-moving events in the Islamic Republic.

“At approximately noon today, the President met for more than 30 minutes in the Oval Office with foreign policy advisors to get an update on the current situation and developments in Iran,” a White House aide said in an email.

REUTERS/Larry Downing/Files

“At the meeting, the president reiterated his concerns about violence and unjust actions being taken against the Iranian people.”

Obama’s comments echoed a longer statement he released on Saturday urging the Iranian government to cease violent actions against its own people. Unrest has convulsed Iran for days since a disputed June 12 election that returned hardline anti-Western President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad to power.

Obama, a Democrat, has sharpened his tone amid the escalating violence

# Obama concerned about “unjust actions” in Iran

and criticism from some Republicans, who accused him of timidity in his response.

“He’s been timid and passive more than I would like,” said Republican Senator Lindsey Graham on ABC’s “This Week with George Stephanopoulos” television news program.

“We could be more forceful than we have,” Republican Senator Charles Grassley said on CNN’s “State of the Union” show.

Gunfire rang out in Tehran on Sunday after demonstrations culminated in the death of at least 10 people on Saturday. Iranian authorities dismissed the protesters as “terrorists” and rioters.

FINE LINE

Senior Democratic senators defended the administration’s approach, arguing that the president

must walk a fine line.

Senator Robert Casey said Obama has achieved “the right balance. ... He’s given a very tough, consistent line to the regime.”

Casey said. “The president doesn’t have the luxury of just thinking about the next couple of days. He’s got to be able to think about the short-term, the long-term.”

Pro-reform Iranian clerics stepped up criticism of the government in Tehran on Sunday after more than a week of defiance against Iran’s leadership. Ahmadinejad won last week’s election, according to official results. But his main challenger, Mirhossein Mousavi, has accused the government of electoral fraud and called on Iranians to protest.

Democratic Senator Christopher Dodd said U.S. support of the opposition

could do it more harm than good.

“The question is, should the United States take ownership of this revolution?” Dodd said on ABC’s “This Week.” “I think we do great damage to the effort if it appears this is a U.S.-led effort.

Democratic Senator Dianne Feinstein also warned that too much outward U.S. support for dissenters could undermine them.

“It is very crucial ... that we not have our fingerprints on this, that this be truly inspired by the Iranian people,” said Feinstein, who chairs the Senate Intelligence Committee, on CNN. She added that she did not know of any U.S. meddling in the Iranian election or in its aftermath. On Saturday, Obama urged Tehran to “stop all violent and unjust actions against its own people.”

Republican Senator John McCain, who lost the 2008 election to Obama, said on CBS’ “Face the Nation,” “I would like to see the president be stronger, although I appreciate the comments he made yesterday.”

Obama, in the forefront of diplomatic efforts to halt an Iranian nuclear program the West fears could produce atomic weapons, recently acknowledged that the United States helped overthrow Iran’s elected government in a 1953 coup that installed a pro-U.S. monarchy in power. That government was toppled by the 1979 Islamic Revolution.

Ahmadinejad warned the United States and Britain on Saturday not to interfere in Iran’s affairs, according to Iran’s official ISNA news agency. □

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# Tenn. ash spill cleanup slow; cause still unknown

By DUNCAN MANSFIELD,  
Associated Press Writer

HARRIMAN, Tenn. — Glen Daugherty watches from his wooden dock, just beyond his prized pontoon boat, as a floating dredging machine growls from across the channel of the Emory River. When it isn't broken down, the machine has been slowly sucking up tons of coal ash that spilled six months ago from the Kingston Fossil Plant a few hundred yards upriver.

The Tennessee Valley Authority, owner and operator of the giant coal-fired Kingston plant, calls this progress. Daugherty, 67, who once delivered coal from local mines to the Kingston plant, just sees shattered dreams.

"I was going to be here the rest of my life," he said. "Now I don't know what I am going to do." A Dec. 22 breach in an earthen dike unleashed 5.4 million cubic yards of toxic-laden ash into the river and 26 lakeside homes, covering some 300 acres with grayish muck. The 1,900-square-foot brick rancher that Glen and Evelyn Daugherty built on their little acre of paradise along the Emory River in 1991 wasn't damaged by the spill. But it's now part of the cleanup zone. Most of their neighbors have moved or are moving with buyouts from the nation's largest public utility — TVA has paid out \$20 million so far.

Daugherty said TVA won't pay enough to replace his home, and he refuses to take on debt at his age.

Still, Daugherty said his wife's doctor advised them: "Which is more important to you —

your house or your health? I am going to tell you right now, you better get out of there."

The Daughertys, who celebrated their 40th anniversary in February, have until July 31 to decide.

The cause of the spill is still unknown, six months after the disaster brought national attention to the regulation and risks of coal ash storage. The ash — which typically contains traces of arsenic and other toxic materials — is stored at 43 other sites in 26 communities around the country, which are so hazardous the Army Corps of Engineers won't disclose their locations.

TVA hired engineering consultants AECOM USA Inc. to study the cause. Lead consultant William Walton, based in Vernon Hills, Ill., isn't taking calls from The Associated Press.

TVA spokesman John Moulton said the document should be out this month.

A panel of engineering and environmental experts formed by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation is waiting to review the AECOM report. So are attorneys handling a half dozen federal lawsuits filed by victims against TVA.

University of Tennessee professor emeritus Bruce Tschantz, an expert in hydrology and dam safety engineering, is on the panel, which was briefed on the report a few weeks ago.

Tschantz wouldn't reveal any conclusions, but said he hopes the final version digs deep into the decisions that led to the wall's collapse. It should explain whether such a spill could happen again — and whether it can be prevented, he said.

"My analogy is when an airplane goes down and they find out the direct reason is the wings were cracked," he said. "OK, so that is why it

went down but why were the wings cracked? Why were the wings not inspected? Why were they allowed to crack? Is it because of poor management and inspection?" Tschantz added: "No matter what the findings are — it was an embarrassment."

This much is known. The Kingston plant's ash landfill began filling up with the byproduct of coal-fired electric generation in 1958, and the pile stood 60 feet high at the time of the spill. It was licensed to go even higher, to 80 feet, before closing in 2015. A layer of water sat on top to keep the ash from blowing away.

Two small, localized problems with the dikes were found in 2003 and 2006, according to the utility's inspector general. Otherwise, state inspectors found no deficiencies in August, and a visual inspection the afternoon before the spill turned up no problems.

TVA officials noted

immediately after the spill that the temperature dropped to 14 degrees that night. President and CEO Tom Kilgore said 4.9 inches of rain fell in December — almost twice as much as normal — which could have added significant weight to the pile. Even so, the spill could have been worse. Just more than half of the 9.5 million cubic yards of ash the site holds spilled. Kingston has the largest ash pile of any of TVA's 11 coal-fired power plants.

To date, TVA has rebuilt roads and railroad tracks, restored utilities, offered compensation to victims, opened community outreach centers and public document rooms, begun dredging and awarded a contract to ship about half the spilled ash to an Alabama landfill. The cleanup cost could reach \$1 billion.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is overseeing the cleanup, which could cost \$1 billion. □

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**RAFSANJANI**

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Also Sunday, Parliament Speaker Ali Larijani said on state television that the number of people questioning the election results was large and “this group should be respected and one should not mix this big population’s account with a small group of rioters.”

Rafsanjani, 75, heads two powerful institutions. One of them, the cleric-run Assembly of Experts, has the power to monitor and remove the supreme leader, the country’s most powerful figure. The second is the Expediency Council, a body that arbitrates disputes between parliament and the unelected Guardian Council, which can block legislation.

The assembly has never publicly reprimanded the unelected Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei since he succeeded Islamic Revolution founder Aytollah Ruhollah Khomeini in 1989. But the current crisis has rattled the once-untouchable stature of the supreme leader with protesters openly defying his orders to leave the streets. Underscoring how the protesters have become emboldened despite the regime’s repeated and ominous warnings, witnesses said some shouted “Death to Khamenei!” at Saturday’s demonstrations — another sign of once unthinkable challenges to the virtually limitless authority of the supreme leader.

Rafsanjani was deeply critical of Ahmadinejad during the presidential campaign and has the potential to lead an internal challenge to Khamenei.

His daughter’s arrest came as something of a surprise: In his Friday sermon to tens of thousands of worshippers, Khamenei praised Rafsanjani as one of the architects of the revolution and an effective political figure for many years. Khamenei acknowledged, however, that the two have “many differences of opinion.”

Khamenei has accused foreign media of making “malicious” attempts to portray a schism among the ruling clerics. At Friday’s prayers, he acknowledged that all four presidential candidates “have

differences, but all of them belong to the system.”

Iran’s regime continued to impose a blackout on the most serious internal conflict since the 1979 Islamic Revolution.

But fresh images and allegations of brutality emerged as Iranians at home and abroad sought to shed light on a week of astonishing resistance to hard-line Ahmadinejad and Khamenei.

The New-York based International Campaign for Human Rights in Iran said scores of injured demonstrators who had sought medical treatment after Saturday’s clashes were arrested by security forces at hospitals in the capital.

It said doctors had been ordered to report protest-related injuries to the authorities, and that some seriously injured protesters had sought refuge at foreign embassies in a bid to evade arrest.

“The arrest of citizens seeking care for wounds suffered at the hands of security forces when they attempted to exercise rights guaranteed under their own constitution and international law is deplorable,” said Hadi Ghaemi, spokesman for the campaign, denouncing the alleged arrests as “a sign of profound disrespect by the state for the well-being of its own people.”

Thousands of supporters of Mousavi, who claims he won the election, squared off Saturday against security forces in a dramatic show of defiance of Khamenei.

Iran has also acknowledged the deaths of seven protesters in clashes on Monday.

State media also reported a suicide bombing at the shrine of Khomeini on Saturday killed the attacker and injured five other people.

There was some confusion about the overall death toll. English-language Press TV, which is broadcast only outside the country, put the toll at 13 and labeled those who died “terrorists.” There was no immediate explanation for the discrepancy.

Amnesty International cautioned that it was “perilously hard” to verify the casualty tolls.

“The climate of fear has cast a shadow over the whole situation,” Amnesty’s chief

Iran researcher, Drewery Dyke, told The Associated Press. “In the 10 years I’ve been following this country, I’ve never felt more at sea than I do now. It’s just cut off.”

Iran has imposed strict controls on foreign media covering the unrest, saying correspondents cannot go out into the streets to report.

Reporters Without Borders said 23 journalists were arrested over the past week. The British Broadcasting Corp. said Sunday that its Tehran-based correspondent, Jon Leyne, had been asked to leave the country. The BBC said its office remained open. The U.S.-based newsmagazine Newsweek said its journalist Maziar Bahari was arrested Sunday morning and had not been heard from.

Also Sunday, Iranian Foreign Minister Manouchehr Mottaki held a news conference where he rebuked Britain, France and Germany for raising questions about reports of voting irregularities in hardline Ahmadinejad’s re-election.

Mottaki accused France of taking “treacherous and unjust approaches.” But he saved his most pointed criticism for Britain, raising a litany of historical grievances and accusing the country of flying intelligence agents into Iran before the election to interfere with the vote. The election, he insisted, was a “very transparent competition.”

That drew an indignant response from British Foreign Secretary David Miliband, who “categorically” denied his country was meddling. “This can only damage Iran’s standing in the eyes of the world,” Miliband said.

German Chancellor Angela Merkel urged Iran anew to conduct a complete and transparent recount.

European Union officials said Iran summoned diplomats from EU member countries to protest what it described as interference in its internal affairs.

In Washington on Saturday, President Barack Obama urged Iranian authorities to halt “all violent and unjust actions against its own people.” He said the United States “stands by all who seek to exercise” the universal rights to assembly and free speech. □



# Afghan firefight shows challenge for US troops

By CHRIS BRUMMITT,  
Associated Press Writer

NOW ZAD, Afghanistan — Missiles, machine guns and strafing runs from fighter jets destroyed much of a Taliban compound, but the insurgents had a final surprise for a pair of U.S. Marines who pushed into the smoldering building just before nightfall.

As the two men walked up an alley, the Taliban opened fire from less than 15 yards, sending bullets and tracer fire crackling inches past them. They fled under covering fire from their comrades, who hurled grenades at the enemy position before sprinting to their armored vehicles.

The assault capped a day of fighting Saturday in the poppy fields, orchards and walled compounds of southern Afghanistan between newly arrived U.S. Marines and well dug-in Taliban fighters. It was a foretaste of what will likely be a bloody summer as Washington tries to turn around a bogged-down, eight-year-old war with a surge of 21,000 troops.

"This was the first time we pushed this far. I guess they don't like us coming into their back door," said Staff Sgt. Luke Medlin, who was sweeping the alley for booby traps as Marine Gunner John Daly covered him from behind when the Taliban struck.

"And now they know we will be back," said Medlin, from Richmond, Ind.

The fighting was on the outskirts of Now Zad, a town that in many ways symbolizes what went wrong in Afghanistan and the enormous challenges facing the United States. It is in Helmand province, a center of the insurgency and the opium poppy trade that helps fund it. Like much of Afghanistan, Now Zad and the surrounding area were largely peaceful after the 2001 invasion. The United Nations and other Western-funded agencies sent staff to build wells and health clinics. But in 2006 — with American attention focused on

Iraq — the insurgency stepped up in the south. Almost all the city's 35,000 people fled, along with the aid workers.

British and Estonian troops, then garrisoned in Now Zad, were unable to defeat the insurgents. They were replaced last year by a small company of about 300 U.S. Marines, who live in a base in the center of the deserted town and on two hills overlooking

it.

The Taliban hold much of the northern outskirts and the orchards beyond, where they have entrenched defensive positions, tunnels and bunkers. The Marines outnumber the Taliban in the area by at least 3-to-1 and have vastly superior weapons but avoid offensive operations because they lack the manpower to hold territory once they take it. □



U.S. Marines from the 2nd MEB enter a hole in the wall of a mud compound that they detonated to enter and search for Taliban fighters near Now Zad in Afghanistan's Helmand province Saturday June 20, 2009. On the left is CW02 John Daly of Collingdale, Pa.

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# Mexico deploys 1,500 extra soldiers to border city



Mexican soldiers patrol a street in the Mexican beach resort of Acapulco June 10, 2009. Eighteen people were killed in a shootout between drug gangs and soldiers on June 7 and the gun battle was a further blow to Mexico's tourism industry, already reeling from cancellations by foreigners scared away by the swine flu epidemic.

**REUTERS/Jesus Trigo (MEXICO CRIME LAW MILITARY)**

By **OLIVIA TORRES**,  
Associated Press Writer  
CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico  
— Mexico has deployed 1,500 more troops to the northern border city of Ciudad Juarez, where homicides related to the drug trade have surged in recent weeks.  
The resurgent bloodshed raises doubts about the government's

goal of returning law enforcement and security duties to a reconstituted Ciudad Juarez police force later this year.  
The extra soldiers will begin patrolling the city Monday, said Enrique Torres Valadez, the spokesman for the joint security operation of soldiers and state police in Ciudad Juarez.  
A total of 2,500 troops arrived

Saturday night in the city across the border from El Paso, Texas, Torres said, though about 1,000 of them are relieving soldiers already on duty there.

Drug-related killings in Ciudad Juarez declined to about one per day after the army sent some 5,000 troops there in March, bringing the number of soldiers patrolling the streets to about 7,000.

As homicides declined, some troops withdrew. But last week, the Chihuahua state attorney general's office said killings in Ciudad Juarez have risen again to an average of eight to nine per day. State officials haven't given a reason for the increase. But Victor Clark, a drug-trafficking expert based in the northern city of Tijuana, said it shows the troop deployment is not working. While soldiers have stepped up street patrols, there has been little intelligence work aimed at capturing the top drug lords in Ciudad Juarez — or the corrupt politicians and businessmen who protect and finance them.

"I see two wars, the visible and

the invisible one. The visible one is the dead that the media reports on every day, but the dead are just cheap labor," said Clark, director of the Binational Center for Human Rights in Tijuana. "The invisible one is ... the business class and the politicians who really benefit from the millions that the drug trade generates."

"The army had not carried out profound intelligence work," he added. "In Juarez, they have not dared to touch that level of organized crime."

President Felipe Calderon has relied heavily on the military in his frontal attack on drug trafficking, deploying more than 45,000 troops across the country to crush brutal cartels. The offensive has led to the capture of several drug kingpins, and last month, federal agents took the battle to an unprecedented level with the arrest of 10 mayors in western Michoacan state on suspicion of protecting La Familia cartel. So far, however, few high-profile arrests have taken place in Ciudad Juarez, even though

it had about 1,600 drug-related killings last year, more than any other Mexican city. Through mid-June of this year, there have been 800 killings in the city of about 1.3 million people.

Nationwide, more than 10,800 people have been killed in drug violence since Calderon launched his offensive in December 2006.

With the deployment Saturday, 5,500 troops are now in Ciudad Juarez with another 1,300 patrolling surrounding areas.

Local, state and federal forces will step up patrols in the most dangerous parts of the city and increase checks of suspicious vehicles, Chihuahua state Public Safety Secretary Victor Valencia said last week.

Local police have been working alongside the army, which is scheduled to begin withdrawing later this year.

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# Nigerian rebels claim three attacks on Shell

by Joel Olatunde Agoi

LAGOS (AFP) – Nigerian rebels Sunday claimed three attacks in one day against Royal Dutch Shell's facilities as part of a campaign to cripple Nigeria's multi-billion-dollar oil industry. The Movement for the Emancipation of the Niger Delta (MEND) said in a statement it had "pounded" a Shell pipeline at Adamakiri at 2:30 am (0130 GMT) and another at Kula shortly after. Shell's spokesman Precious Okolobo only confirmed two attacks to AFP and added that production did not appear to have been greatly affected. "There have been two attacks on installations in our eastern operation. Impact to facilities, environment and production is being investigated," he said, adding that he was waiting for the results of an on-site inspection. Hours after the first two attacks, MEND also admitted responsibility for an attack on Shell's Ofirma oil field that became "engulfed in fire".

But a Shell official denied that there had been a third strike, saying the alleged incident was part of the attack on two Shell oil pipelines in southern Rivers state early Sunday.

Shell has become a regular target for militant attacks in the restive Niger Delta over the past three years, forcing it to shut some facilities and several times defer contracted deliveries to clients.

The Anglo-Dutch oil group said Wednesday it was forced to defer shipments of crude from its Nigerian Forcados exports terminal for two months due to delays in repairing a key pipeline blown up in March.

Back in February, it declared force majeure on shipments from its main Nigerian Bonny terminal due to increased attacks by rebels on key facilities.

MEND, which this month declared an "all-out" war against the oil majors aimed at halting production, had claimed an attack on another Shell oil pipeline in Bayelsa state on Thursday.

Local media said some 185,000 barrels per day of crude had been shut down as a result of that attack.

MEND also issued a warning Sunday against Chevron, accusing the US oil giant of letting the Nigerian military use one of its air strips for jet fighters and helicopter gunships.

"By allowing its facilities to be used in committing atrocities against the host communities where it drills oil and gas from, Chevron has repeated the same mistake by Shell against the Ogoni communities and will pay a price in double measure," the statement said.

On Saturday MEND attacked a major pipeline supplying crude oil to Italian oil group Agip's Brass terminal. Agip confirmed the act of "sabotage."

MEND has staged numerous attacks on international oil facilities in southern Nigeria as part of a campaign since December 2005 to get what it calls a fairer distribution of the region's oil wealth for the local Ogoni people.



A fighter from the Movement for the Emancipation of the Niger Delta (MEND) holds up his heavy machine-gun at the militia's creek camp in the Niger Delta, 2008. MEND claimed three attacks in one day against Royal Dutch Shell's facilities as part of a campaign to cripple Nigeria's multi-billion-dollar oil industry.

(AFP/File/Pius Utomi Ekpei)

Unrest in the Niger Delta has substantially reduced Nigeria's oil output, putting pressure on crucial export earnings.

Nigeria's daily oil output currently stands at 1.8 million barrels, according to the June report of the International

Energy Agency, considerably lower than the 2.6 million barrels a day in 2006.

Nigeria was Africa's leading oil producer but it has been overtaken by Angola since the troubles in the Niger Delta started. □



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## Aruba TODAY



### Ricky Barnes, Lucas Glover tied at U.S. Open

FARMINGDALE, N.Y. (AP) — The final round of the U.S. Open has been suspended, and not a moment too soon for Ricky Barnes.

Barnes had a one-shot lead over Lucas Glover after 54 holes in the rain-plagued championship, but it didn't last long. Teeing off in the fourth round Sunday evening, Barnes made bogey on the first hole, then hit his tee shot into gnarly rough on No. 2.

They were tied at 7-under par, still five shots clear of everyone else.

Phil Mickelson, hoping to bring home the silver trophy to a wife battling breast cancer, was among those at 2 under after playing two holes in par. Tiger Woods ended his day with a birdie on the seventh hole and was even par.

The final round resumes at 9 a.m. Monday. □



### Unlikely U.S. Advances in Confederations Cup

RUSTENBURG, South Africa — The highly unlikely became the inevitable Sunday as the previously struggling United States defeated Egypt, 3-0, on Sunday and, against long odds, advanced to the semifinals of the Confederations Cup.

In a marvelously energetic and entertaining game, played with desperate inspiration from one end of the field to the other, the Americans advanced on the tie breaker of total goals scored after Brazil defeated Italy, 3-0. The United States got exactly what it needed: a victory by three goals and a three-goal loss by Italy.

The United States, Italy and Egypt all finished group play here with 1-2 records. Earlier, the Americans lost to Italy by 3-1, but, unlike in many sports, head-to-head matchups are not the first measure to break ties in soccer tournaments.

Instead, the first tie breaker is

the difference between goals scored and goals allowed. The United States and Italy were even at minus-two, while Egypt was minus-three. In the second tie breaker, total goals scored, the Americans prevailed by four to three.

Improbably, the United States will now face Spain, the European champion that is unbeaten in 35 games, in a semifinal match on Wednesday in Bloemfontein. Brazil will face South Africa in the other semifinal on Thursday in Johannesburg.

The Americans got splendidly opportunistic goals from Charlie Davies, Michael Bradley and Clint Dempsey, scoring during the run of play for the first time in five matches. All of a sudden, the earlier defeat to Italy and a 3-0 humbling by Brazil were forgotten. Relieved, too, for the moment anyway, was mounting pressure on Coach Bob Bradley. □





# Before 61,000 fans, Klitschko wins and continues his dominance

GELSENKIRCHEN, Germany (AP) -- Wladimir Klitschko again proved his dominance of the heavyweight division, stopping Ruslan Chagaev in a hastily put together title fight Saturday night before 61,000 fans at a German soccer stadium.

The IBF and WBO champion added the Ring Magazine belt to his haul, knocking Chagaev down in the second round and opening a cut over the Uzbekistan-born fighter's left eye in the eighth.

Referee Eddie Cotton stopped the fight before the 10th round.

"You can't underestimate Chagaev," said Klitschko, who stands with his brother Vitali as clearly the best in the division. "He did everything today, but I was better."

Chagaev, who is the WBA's "champion in recess," raised a deep bruise under Klitschko's right eye, but was done in by the Ukrainian's height advantage and superior power. With his strong left jab and hard straight rights, Klitschko (53-3, 47 KOs) bloodied Chagaev and never appeared in danger.

The sellout crowd was the biggest boxing audience in Germany since Max Schmeling knocked out Adolf Heuser in front of 70,000 people in Stuttgart in 1939.

"Throughout the fight, I searched for the keys to unlock a win, but I just couldn't find them," said Chagaev, whose win over Carl Davis Drummond in February was stopped by a similar cut above his left eye.

The matchup at the Schalke soccer club's Veltins Arena was originally billed as a showdown between Klitschko and former cruiserweight champ David Haye, and the two had gone on a worldwide press tour in which the outspoken Haye flaunted T-shirts showing him standing in the ring with the decapitated heads of the Klitschko brothers.

But the British fighter, whose only victory since moving to heavyweight was a knockout of Monte Barrett in November, pulled out earlier this month citing a back injury. He asked to reschedule the fight for July, but Klitschko wanted to keep the date and sellout crowd.

"I never, ever worked with such unprofessional people as David Haye and his team," Klitschko said, adding that he would consider arranging another fight against him. "I think he's going to end up on the floor."

Klitschko found a replacement in Chagaev (25-1-1), who was supposed to fight Nikolai Valuev for the WBA title

last month in Helsinki. That bout was called off after the weigh-in when doctors found Hepatitis-B antigens in Chagaev's blood.

Because the rules are different in Germany, Chagaev managed to pass a medical exam and was allowed to fight Klitschko, even though several organizations protested, including the American Association of Professional Ringside Physicians.

Valuev turned down an offer to fight Klitschko in Haye's place.

Klitschko said after the fight that he felt he was in better form than at any point in his career. He hasn't lost in more than five years, and at this juncture, it's becoming hard to believe there's anyone out there who can stop him.

"I'm not looking forward to proving my chin, because it's made of glass and I want to take care of it," Klitschko said, joking about those who once criticized him for not being able to take a punch. "So, I want to dominate my fights like I do pretty much all my best fights." □



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# Red Sox place Dice-K on 15-day DL



BOSTON (AP) -- Struggling Red Sox starter Daisuke Matsuzaka went on the 15-day disabled list Sunday and could be sidelined much longer.

"This is not going to be a two-week DL," manager Terry Francona said. "We have to figure this out. We have a lot of work ahead of us to get him back to being Daisuke."

In eight starts, Matsuzaka is 1-5 with an 8.23 ERA and an opponents' batting average of .378. Last season, he was 18-3 with a 2.90 ERA and a major league-best .211 batting average by opponents.

He went on the disabled list with a mild right shoulder strain after an MRI on Saturday showed no structural damage. On Friday night, he allowed six runs in four-plus innings of an 8-2 loss to Atlanta.

"He's got some shoulder weakness," Francona said before Sunday's game against the Braves. "I don't know that you can give him a week off and say, 'Come back and pitch and your shoulder's going to be miraculously strong.'"

Before putting Matsuzaka on the disabled list for the second time this season, the Red Sox already had scheduled John Smoltz to pitch in his spot Thursday at Washington. It would be the first major league outing of the season for Smoltz, who had six rehab starts after offseason shoulder surgery.

The Red Sox recalled catcher Dusty Brown from Triple-A Pawtucket to take Matsuzaka's roster spot.

Dice-K is in the third season of a six-year, \$52 million contract he signed after the Red Sox paid \$51.11 million for the right to negotiate with the Japanese star. This March he repeated as MVP in the second World Baseball Classic, but missed much of Boston's spring training.

"It's hard," Francona said. "We never were really able to get that foundation. And he's alluded to that, too. We've got to get that figured out because it's obviously not working."

After the WBC, Matsuzaka finished spring training with Boston but went 0-1 with a 12.79 ERA in two starts before going on the disabled list with a mild right shoulder strain from April 15 to May 22. In his first game back, he allowed four runs and five hits in five innings of a 5-3 loss to the New York Mets.

In his last game, he gave up three hits on the first four pitches, including Nate McLouth's homer on the first pitch of the game. He hasn't reached the seventh inning in any of his nine starts.

"If I keep going like this, I have no right to be a part of this rotation," Matsuzaka said through a translator after the game. Francona stayed late at Fenway Park on Friday, meeting with general manager Theo Epstein and pitching coach John Farrell. Then Francona met Saturday with Matsuzaka and announced that he would be removed from the rotation.

"It all started with the WBC," Francona said Saturday. "It's become obvious that his velocity wasn't what it was." □

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# Aprobación de presidente García cae fuerte por conflicto indígena

LIMA (Reuters) - La aprobación a la gestión del presidente de Perú, Alan García, cayó a su menor nivel desde noviembre del año pasado porque la mayoría de peruanos culpa a su Gobierno de los cruentos conflictos con los indígenas amazónicos, dijo el domingo una encuesta.

La encuesta nacional Ipsos Apoyo difundida el domingo en el diario El Comercio, dijo que el apoyo a García alcanzó un 21 por ciento, nueve puntos porcentuales menos que en mayo, en la tercera caída sucesiva mensual en la aprobación del mandatario.

La aprobación de la actual administración de García alcanzó su peor nivel en noviembre y septiembre del año pasado, cuando cayó hasta un 19 por ciento en ambas ocasiones.

“La mayor parte de la población simpatiza con la posición de las

comunidades nativas y considera que el Gobierno debió consultarlas antes de promulgar los cuestionados decretos legislativos. La mayoría reconoce que sabe poco del contenido de esos decretos, pero aprueba su derogación”, dijo el director de Ipsos Apoyo, Alfredo Torres.

En las peores protestas contra García, indígenas amazónicas se enfrentaron al Gobierno para demandar que se deroguen dos polémicas leyes de inversión en la Amazonía, que eran parte del pacto de libre comercio que Perú suscribió con Estados Unidos, porque consideraban que eran una amenaza para sus territorios.

Las manifestaciones desencadenaron violentos enfrentamientos entre los nativos y las fuerzas de seguridad que dejaron al menos 34 muertos, entre policías e indígenas. □



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**Mambo Jambo Latin Bar & Grill (Royal Plaza Downtown)**  
International & Latin Cuisine  
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International and Seafood Cuisine  
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